State Identified Exemplary Districts

The Background:

In accordance with T.C.A. § 49-1-602 and Tennessee's accountability system as approved in its Every Student Succeeds Act plan, the Tennessee Department of Education is charged with presenting to the State Board of Education a listing of districts identified as receiving the highest accountability determination. This information is presented annually.

For the 2018-2019 school year, the highest accountability determination for districts is "Exemplary."

Exemplary Criteria

Overall indicator scores from the 2018-2019 accountability calculations average the number of points districts receive for the value-added performance with the higher number of points between their AMO targets and their absolute performance. These indicator scores are averaged to calculate an overall All Students score. This process is repeated for all eligible subgroups. Districts with a final weighted average score greater than or equal to 3.1 receive a determination of Exemplary based on the 2018-2019 school year data.

The following indicators are included in district accountability data for the 2018-2019 school year:

- Grades 3–5 success rate
- Grades 6–8 success rate
- Grades 9–12 success rate
- Grades K–12 chronically out of school
- Grades K–12 English language proficiency assessment (ELPA)
- Graduation rate

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends approval of this item on first and final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.